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Co-Defendant Arraigned on Multiple Robbery and Perjury Charges



ALBANY, NY – District Attorney P. David Soares announced today that **EUGENE ROYAL**, 21, of Albany, was arraigned on multiple counts of robbery and perjury before the Honorable Thomas A. Breslin in the Supreme Court of Albany County this morning.

On November 26, 2013, an Albany County grand jury handed up an indictment charging the defendant with (1) Count of Robbery in the First Degree, a Class B Violent Felony, (2) Counts of Robbery in the First Degree, both Class B Felonies, (1) Count of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Felony, and (4) Counts of Perjury in the First Degree, all Class D Felonies.

The indictment alleges that on October 26, 2012 on Third Avenue in the City of Albany, ROYAL allegedly helped lure the victim to a parking lot to complete a potential drug deal with the assistance of four co-defendants, including EL-KHALIEM MYRICK, 17. When the victim arrived, ROYAL allegedly helped rob the victim, which resulted in the victim being shot in the stomach and requiring emergency surgery.

On August 20, 2013, MYRICK was found guilty after a jury trial of (1) Count of Robbery in the First Degree, a Class B Violent Felony, and (1) Count of Robbery in the Second Degree, a Class C Violent Felony.

On October 2, 2013, MYRICK was sentenced to 7 years in State Prison, to be followed by 5 years of Post Release Supervision before the Honorable Peter A. Lynch in Albany County Court.

During the trial of the People of the State of New York vs. El-Khaliem Myrick, ROYAL allegedly made inconsistent and false statements while under oath.

ROYAL pleaded not guilty this morning to all counts and was remanded to the Albany County Correctional Facility in lieu of \$75,000 cash bail or \$150,000 bond.

Assistant District Attorney Steven Sharp of the Legal Affairs Bureau is handling the prosecution of this case.

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